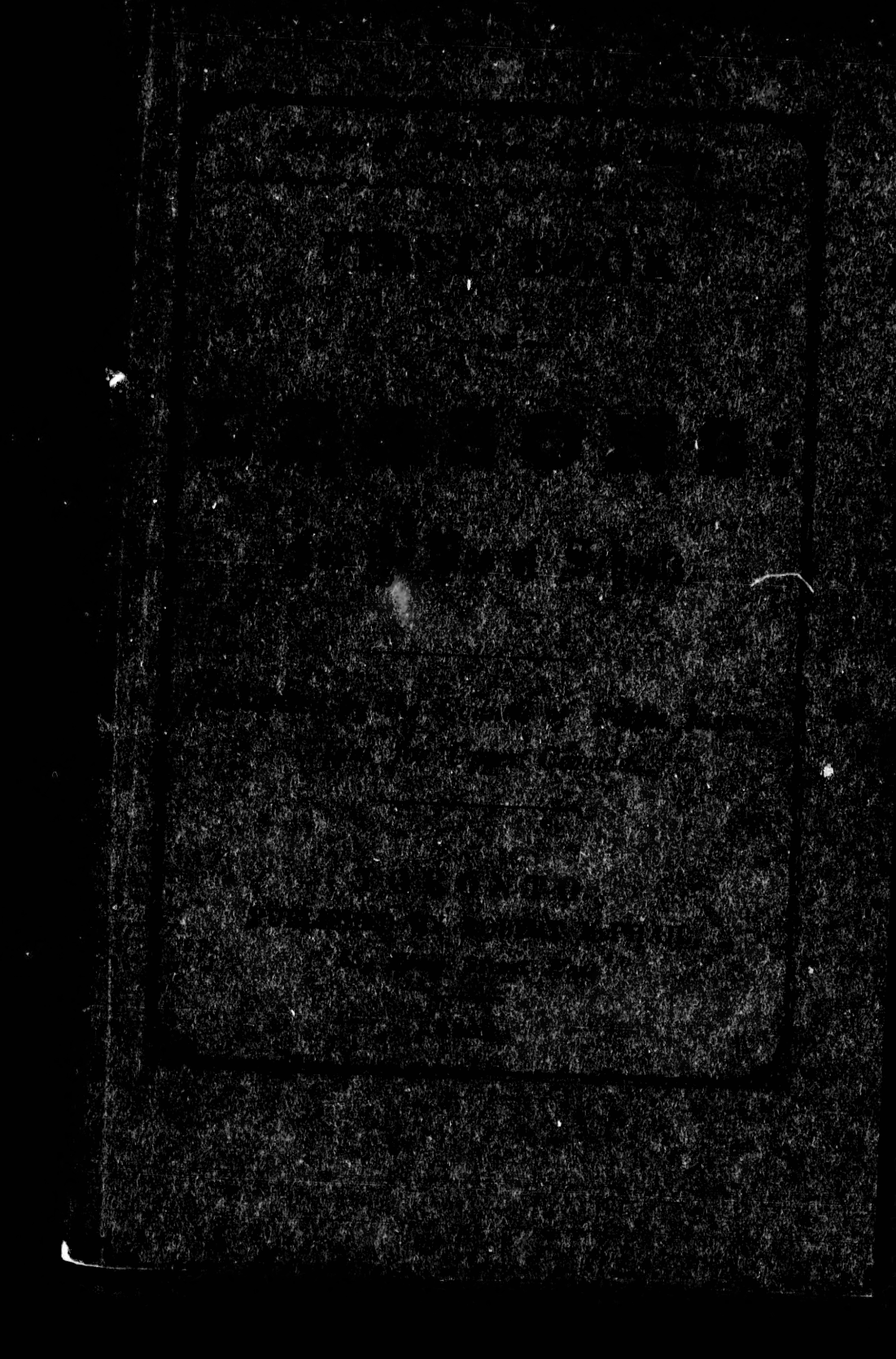






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THE ALPHABET.

a b c d e f g h
i j k l m n o
p q r s t u
v w x y z

A B C D E F G H
I J K L M N O
P Q R S T U
V W X Y Z

THE VOWELS.

a e i o u

AND SOMETIMES W AND Y.

 THE CONSONANTS.

b c d f g h j k
 l m n p q r
 s t v x z

ITALICS.

a b c d e f g h
i j k l m n o
p q r s t u
v w x y z

FIGURES.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

SOUNDS.

à	as	in	fat	ei	as	in	rein
é	"		bed	ew	"		blew
ī	"		fig	ue	"		blue
ò	"		dog	oa	"		boat
ù	"		cup	aw	"		law
ā	"		cane	au	"		cause
ē	"		here	ou	"		loud
ī	"		fine	ow	"		cow
ō	"		robe	ow	"		crow
ū	"		tune	ie	"		die
ō	"		corn	ie	"		field
â	"		ball	oe	"		foe
ô	"		son	th	"		this
oo	"		book	th	"		bath
oi	"		boil	sh	"		shape
ai	"		hail	ch	"		chaff
ea	"		sea	wh	"		whale

FIRST BOOK.

LESSONS ON THE FORMS AND SOUNDS OF THE LETTERS.

SECTION I.

LESSON I.

a	i	m	n	o
e	s	t	x	y

an ox,	my ox,	is it an ox?
it is,	is it?	it is my ox,
no ox,	is so,	is it so? no.

LESSON II.

b	f	g	h	e
u	p	d	r	n

is he up or no?	is it b or h?
go up; fy, be up;	it is h, is it?
is it on an ox?	no, it is b or p

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LESSON III.

c j k l g
d w z j

lo, we go ; is he at j, or at z?
so we do ; he is at z, I am at j.
ox, go up ; is it c, or k, or d?

LESSON IV.

a A	b B	c C	d D	e E
f F	g G	h H	i I	j J
k K	l L	m M	n N	o O
p P	q Q	r R	s S	t T
u U	v V	w W	x X	y Y
z Z				

LESSON V.

a A	b B	c C	d D	e E
f F	g G	h H	i I	j J
k K	l L	m M	n N	o O
p P	q Q	r R	s S	t T
u U	v V	w W	x X	y Y
z Z				

LESSON VI.

I am to go to my ox; is it so?
As he is to go, am I to go? I am.
Is he to go up? no, do as we do.
B, L, K, V, C, Q, U, R, J, Z.

LESSON VII.

*So I am to go up on my ox.
Do ye to us as we do, do so.
Lo, he is at K; I am at Q.
Is it C, Z, Y, V, J, or B?*



SECTION II.

LESSON I.

cat	hat	ram
fat	mat	rat

Can it be Pat or Sam?

Sam has on a hat.

He sat on a mat.

Has Pat a hat? No.

Pat is on a fat ram.

The cat has a rat.

LESSON II.

bed	hen	net
den	leg	pen

Ned has a pen.

It is a bad net.

A man in a den.

Let Sam go to bed.

A hen has a leg.

Can I get a pen.

 LESSON III.

fig	pig	tin
lip	pit	wig

A rat in a pit.	Ned's bit of tin.
Has a pig a lip?	A cat in a net.
Mat has a fig.	A wig on a pin.

LESSON IV.

bog	dog	pot
cot	fop	top

Tom has his top.	A doll is a fop.
A cot on a hill.	Sam has a dog.
A pig in a bag.	Is it a pot, or a pan?

LESSON V.

cub	fur	sum
cup	gun	sun

Ned has cut his leg.	Tom had a gun.
Has a cat fur?	Is it cub or cup?
Is it sum or sun?	A dog can run.

LESSON VI.

A dog ran at a cat and bit it.
 Bid him go and get my pen.
 My hat is on a pin; is it not?
 Yes, sir, it is. *To do ill is a sin.*

LESSON VII.

I can get a wax doll, and a cap.
 But let me go up, and go to bed.
If I sin, I am bad.
Let me not sin, as bad men do.

LESSON VIII.

nap	snap	pit	spit
rap	trap	log	flog
led	bled	top	stop
lip	slip	rug	drug
pin	spin	rum	drum

LESSON IX.

Snap bit a rat; its leg bled; it is in
 a trap; do not let it slip. Tom was

on a rug; he had a drum. I can spin
and flog my top, but not a doll. A log
hit a cat; it did spin and run.

LESSON X.

Stop, it is a bad drug; let it drop.
Bob is in a snug bed; he is in a nap;
it is a bad plan to be in bed at ten. A
crop of flax; is it in a bog? no, it is in
a plot at my hut. Ned hit Tom a rap;
his lip bled. *It is a sin to do ill.*

LESSON XI.

can	cane	mad	made
hat	hate	man	mane

He has a hat on his pate; has he not?
Can you lend me a cane? I will give it
back.

Snap has not a mane; he is not mad.
I hate to do ill; I was not made to be
bad.

 LESSON XII.

met mete her here

I met a man and a lad in a lane.
 Take a bit of tape to mete her box.
 Can I not get my cane? it is here.
 Tell Eve to be here at ten, if not at six.

 LESSON XIII.

fin fine hid hide
 fir fire rid ride

Tell Tom or Ned to stir the fire.
 Mat got a ride in a fine gig.
 Here is a grape from a vine.
 Bid Jane not hide her black cap.

 LESSON XIV.

mop mope rod rode
 rob robe rot rote

Jack rode a mile on a fine ass.
 I hope Jane has not lost her robe.

Take a map, but do not get it by rote.
Give him a mop, and do not sit and
mope.

LESSON XV.

cur	cure	tub	tube
pur	pure	tun	tune

A tube lets pure wine from a tun.
My cur bit Tom's nose: can Bob cure
it?
Will Jane give us a song or a tune?
Dogs can bite, and cats can purr.

LESSON XVI.

Here is a fine box; it is made of
cane; I got it from a man; I will take
it home. Sam has gone up to get his
dog; he will be back at nine; if not,
he will be here at ten. Jack likes to
ride in a gig; but he fell, and broke his
leg; he is in bed.

LESSON XVII.

A wet mop hit my face; it is black;
but here is a tub. Give me a cup; I
will not take wine; I like milk. Tom
has a bit of pine; he broke a tube; it
is of no use; give it to Jane. Snap is
a bad dog; he bit a mule; it is quite
lame.

LESSON XVIII.

Tom likes a tune; I like a song; but
Jane will not sing. Bob has a fine
map, and a big globe. Ned got a
grape on a vine; it is in his box; he
will not give it to me; but I will not
mope. Mat got a tube from Sam; he
broke it; but it did not cut his hand.

SECTION III.

LESSON I.

act	fact	ark	bark
ant	pant	arm	harm
ask	task	art	cart

A dog can bark. Bid Mark get his task. Jack has got a cart. An ant is wise in art; do it no harm. If Tom runs, will he pant? ask him. Is it a fact that Ned broke his arm? *I will do no bad act.*

LESSON II.

elm	hemp	nest
helm	melt	send
help	mend	tent

An elm has bark. Ask Mark to mend my cart. A rope is made of hemp. Five larks in a nest. Jock broke his helm. Send me a pen. Fire will melt tin. Give me a pin to mend my tent.

LESSON III.

ink	limp	risk
drink	lisp	silk
lift	ring	sing

Is his ink black or red? Jane will not drink wine. Is a cap made of silk? He will not risk his life. Ann is a babe, and can but lisp. Give me a ring. My leg is sore, but I can limp. Can you sing? Lift my hat.

LESSON IV.

cord	fork	scorn
cork	horn	sort
corn	horse	stork

Lend me a fork. Is rice a kind of corn? A stork can fly. It is a fine sort of cord. Give me a cork to my horn. Let my black horse take his corn, and I will give Sam a ride. *Scorn no man.*

LESSON V.

bust	gulf	lump
burn	hunt	trust
curd	hurt	turn

Curd is made of milk. A dog can hunt. Pat has a fine bust. Trust Mark, and he will mend it. Sam must not hurt my horse. A fire will burn. Tell him to turn back. A fork will lift a lump.

LESSON VI.

this	these
that	them

Give me these figs. That horse can trot fast. Take these pins, and give them to Jane. That ink is not so black as this. The dog takes care of the lambs; and can hunt the hare and the fox. Give these nuts to James, and tell him to make ink of them. This corn must be sent to the mill.

LESSON VII.

bath	girth	theft
depth	smith	thick
fifth	tenth	width

This is a cold bath; I do not like it; let me have a warm bath. This is but the tenth part; let me have the fifth part. That bad man got these gold cups by theft. Pull the girth. It is a thick mist. Give me a fork with three prongs. The width is more than the depth. Give this bit of steel to the smith.

LESSON VIII.

ball	salt	wall
call	stall	warn
hall	tall	wasp

This pine is a tall tree; tar is got from it. Call on that man to halt.

A stall is for a horse or an ass. The globe is like a ball. We met in a large park to play at ball. Salt the beef, else it will not keep. Warn him that the wasp may sting him. Let me fix this tree to the wall.

LESSON IX.

glove

month

worth

love

word

worm

son

work

world

This is not my glove. It is worth three pence. Are there five weeks in a month? A worm creeps. Come, let us work.

God loves us, and sent his Son to save us. The word of God tells us to love him. If we are bad, God will not love us, and we shall not go to him when we go from this world.

LESSON X.

shake	shell	shod
shame	shirt	shop
shark	ship	shore

Do not shake my dog. It is a shame to hurt Tray. The shell of this nut is hard. The helm turns the ship. Shut the shop; it is past ten. A shark is a large fish. The bark was cast on the shore. Take my horse to the smith to be shod. My shirt was made from flax.

LESSON XI.

chaff	chest	chime
chase	chide	chin
cheese	child	church

Did Mark see the fox chase the hens? Cheese is made of milk. That church has a chime of bells. Do not chide Ann; she is but a child. The wind drives the chaff from the corn.

I have cut my chin. Is this chest made
of birch or larch?

LESSON XII.

whale	whelp	where
what	when	while
wheel	whence	who

What do we get from the whale?
When will it be seed time? Gold is
not white. Whence do we get figs?
Tell me the name of those who make
cloth. That girl spins with a wheel.
Where do the French live? Can a
whelp bark?

LESSON XIII.

book	foot	roost
boot	goose	root
coo	moon	school
cook	poor	spoon
food	room	wood

Give me that book. This boot will

not go on my foot. I think that this wood is birch. Root up the weeds. The doves coo. The moon gives light by night. The hens have gone to roost. Is this spoon made of wood? We get quills from the goose. It is time to go to school. A hall is a large room. Give this hat to the poor man.

LESSON XIV.

boil	hoist	point
boy	joint	soil
coil	loin	toil
coin	noise	toy
foil	oil	Troy

Is the soil rich? This coin is made of gold. We get oil from the whale. To hoist is to pull up. He toils hard. Shall I boil the eggs? Coil this long rope. A foil has not a sharp point. Can he bend his joints? Which is the

left joint? John is a good boy. Troy was burnt. Do not make such a noise. I will get a toy for this coin.

LESSON XV.

chain	maid	rain
chair	mail	sail
flail	main	snail
grain	pail	sprain
hail	pain	tail

The ship sails on the main. What is that in the sky with a long tail? A snail has horns. This chair is made of birch. A storm of hail will hurt the crops. Corn is a kind of grain. Did he sprain his foot? Links are small bits of chain. The rain will spoil my hat. What is the use of a flail? This corn gives me great pain. There is the maid with a pail of milk. The bag came by the mail.

LESSON XVI.

beam	ear	stream
bean	leaf	tea
bleat	peas	teach
clean	peat	tears
cream	sea	wheat

The main means the sea. Tea is the leaf of a plant. He sat on the bank of a stream. Bread is made of wheat. Put this peat on the fire. The cream swims on the top of the milk. Teach Frank to read. Tears wash the eye. We hear by means of the ear. The beams of the sun shine bright, when the sky is clear. Sheep bleat. A crop of beans and peas.

LESSON XVII.

feint	rein	veil
grey	they	vein
prey	their	whew

The wolf is a beast of prey.

Cheese and whey are made from milk.
The use of the reins is to pull the bit.
This veil is made of silk. My horse is
grey. It is but a feint of the fox, for
he is sly. Blood is let from the veins.
They are not at home; but they will
be home soon. Is not this horse theirs?
No, it is not theirs.

LESSON XVIII.

blew	due	hew
blue	ewe	new
brew	feud	pew
chew	grew	strew

If you please, lend me that new book.
Stew some fish, that we may dine.
Milk the ewe. He did not sit in that
pew. Can you hew both wood and
stone? The wind blew off my hat.
There has been a feud in that tribe for
more than a year.

Let each man have his due. Brew
some beer. My cap is black, but Tom's
is blue. Do pigs chew their cud?
That white rose grew on this bush.

LESSON XIX.

boat	foal	oak
coach	foam	oar
coal	goat	oat
coast	loaf	shoal
croak	loathe	toad

This loaf is made of wheat. The
coast is the land near the sea. A horse
eats hay and oats. We get galls from
the oak; but they are not its fruit.
Oars are used in a boat. What is made
of goat-skin? Frogs croak. I loathe
a toad. We say a shoal of fish, but a
flock of sheep. The foam of the sea is
white. We get coals from the earth.
Can the foal pull a coach?

LESSON XX.

claw	jaw	shawl
crawl	law	spawn
dawn	maw	straw
haw	paw	thaw
hawk	raw	yawn

The beef is quite raw ; will you roast it? A flail is used to part the grain from the straw. The hawk takes its prey with its claws. A worm can crawl, but a hare can run. Heat makes the ice thaw. I will rise as soon as day dawns. What part of a bird is the maw? Haws are fruit of the thorn. Why do you yawn? Pull the tooth from my-jaw. A fish spawns. Fine shawls are made from the hair of the goat. Puss has hurt her paw.

God gave this law to men, that they should love him more than all things in the world.

 LESSON XXI.

cause	fraud	pause
clause	gauze	sauce
daub	laud	vaunt

James daubs his clothes with clay.
 Pause at the stops or points. It is
 fraud to take what is not yours. To
 laud is to praise. Read this clause.
 Jane has torn her gauze frock; that is
 the cause of her tears. Let me have
 sauce to my fish, if you please. It is
 not my fault, if you do not learn to
 read. Paul is a man's name. Wine is
 kept in vaults. *You must not vaunt or
 boast of your skill.*

 LESSON XXII.

cloud	ground	proud
couch	hound	shout
flour	mount	sour
gout	mouse	south

This fruit is sour; I found it on

the ground. The cat has caught a mouse. This is the south pole; that is the north pole. Bread is made from flour, and flour from wheat. That old man has the gout. I fear it will rain; look at that black cloud. The boys gave a loud shout. Can you count twelve? We must climb to the top of the mount. May I lean on the couch? Call to the hound. Sound the horn.
A child of the dust should not be proud.

LESSON XXIII.

bow	crowd	gown
brow	down	howl
brown	drown	owl
clown	frown	town

Now tell the maid to milk the cow.
Stand on the brow of the hill. Lay
down your book, and make your bow.
Take the fowls to town. This gown

is made of silk. Drive the sow from the corn. Hear how the log howls. Go and put on a brown coat. The owl sleeps all day, and seeks its prey at night. You ought not to call him a clown. Keep out of the crowd. Why do you frown? Do not drown the fly in the cream.

LESSON XXIV.

blow	grow	show
bowl	low	snow
crow	mow	sow
flow	row	throw

Row the boat to the shore. It is time to sow the seed. It will not grow in time of frost and snow. The grass has been mown, and is now dry. Did you hear the cock crow? Show me how far you can throw this ball. This bowl is made

of clay. The wind blows. My seat is low. The tide ebbs and flows.

LESSON XXV.

die	chief	foe
hie	field	hoe
lie	fierce	sloe
pie	shield	toe
tie	thief	woe

Stop the thief. Let me help you to a bit of pie. Hie thee home from school as fast as you can. All men must die. Let us take a walk in this green field. A thief stole my watch. That fierce man is chief. What is a shield? Sloes are the fruit of the black thorn. Hoe the beans and plants. Is he a friend or foe? Have you hurt your toe?

A good boy will not tell a lie. Sin is the cause of all our woe.

LESSON XXVI.

There were two men who went to the wood to cut down trees. Each of them had a saw and an axe. They cut down two birch trees, three elms, and five oaks. It was hard work; but the men were strong, and their tools were sharp, and they did the whole in less than a day. Next day each of them brought a horse and a cart, and took the trees home with them, and put them in a yard, where they will be kept till they are fit for use.

LESSON XXVII.

When we are on the road, or in the street, we should take care that no harm comes to us. If we do not take heed, a horse, or a cart, or a chaise, or a coach, may knock us down, and if it does not kill us, it may at least bruise us, or break

a limb. Boys and girls are apt to think so much of their play, as not to mind the risk which they run; but this is wrong; and we are not wise, if we do not keep out of the way of what would hurt us, and are so rash as not to run off till the horse or chaise is close upon us.

LESSON XXVIII.

There goes Tom on the back of a large horse. I would not wish to be in his place, lest the horse should throw me down, and hurt me with his feet, or dash me on the ground. I like best to ride on a horse made of wood. It does best for boys like me. I can move on it as fast as I wish; and I can stop it when I please; and I may get a great deal of good from it. And then it will not bite, or kick, or throw me

me down, or run off with me, or do me the least harm.

LESSON XXIX.

John threw a stone down the street. He did not mean to do harm; but just as the stone went out of his hand, an old man came in the way; and it struck his head, and made it bleed; and the wound gave him great pain. John ran off as fast as he could; and it may be that he does not know how much ill he has done. But if he knows this, and is a good boy, it will vex him, and make him grieve to think that he has hurt the old man. *And he will look on it as a sin, to have been so void of thought as to do so rash a thing. All boys should learn from this, not to throw stones where there is the least risk of harm to old or young.*

LESSON XXX.

It was God that made me at first. It is he that still keeps me in life. It is from him that all the good things come which are in my lot. And it was he who sent CHRIST to save me. I wish that I could love him, and fear him, and do his will, and pray to him as I ought. It is a great sin to break the Lord's day, or to take his name in vain, or to go with those who walk in the paths of sin. He hates all such things, and in his wrath will come upon those who do them and who will not turn from them. I pray that I may not think bad thoughts, nor speak bad words, nor do bad deeds.

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